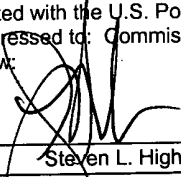


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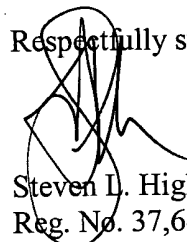
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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3118 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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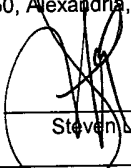
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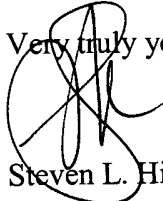
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